

**Wichita Police Department Policy Manual**

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Policy 608 -Tornado Procedures

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- 608.01 Once a tornado warning has been issued or a tornado has been sighted, supervisors will be responsible for monitoring
R emergency communications and available national weather service information, assigning officers to strategic locations
 to monitor cloud movement, and ensuring in-station personnel prepare for shelter.
- 608.02 Available patrol officers should verify tornado siren activation in their respective response zones (when applicable),
R and attempt to notify locations where large groups of persons are likely to be gathered [e.g., shopping malls, event
 venues, schools, parks, etc.] if tornado sirens fail to activate.
- 608.03 Supervisors may hold low priority calls and keep unassigned personnel available until the tornado threat passes/
R warning is cancelled.